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IMMENSE WEALTH IN THE FORESTS OF MADAGASCAR.

The Concession to Ex-Consul Waller May Mean Much to Americans Resources of the Island-Queer Customs of the Na-

The discovery of a new rubber tree in Madagascar a year or so ago has proved a big bonanza for the natives and worked a commercial revolution in the island. Small traders whose most avaricious dreams formerly did not extend beyond the possession of a few hundred piasters as the result of 15 or 20 years of hard work have suddenly achieved comparative riches, and the price of raw rubber has been quintupled by the keen competition of purchasers. If the reported concession to John L. Waller, ex-United States consul at Tamatave, be confirmed, it is likely to make a great change in our trade relations with the Malagasian kingdom and may lead to some interesting diplomatic complications with France.

The French have for several years exercised a sort of protectorate over the country and are very jealous of other foreigners gaining any influence in its concerns. This jealousy is particularly marked in the case of Americans, for our consul is the only foreign representative who takes his exequatur directly from the queen's government, thus acknowl-



RANAVALONA, QUEEN OF MADAGASCAR, edging her as the ruler of the island. The other consuls take their exequaturs from the French representatives, though the island does not belong to France, and the French are quite powerless in its domestic affairs. They have considerable influence, however, in determining the foreign policy of the country and maintain there a resident general with a military suit, though the Madagascar government refuses to recognize their right to do so.

Madagascar is now nominally ruled by the native queen, Ranavalona III, a woman of 33 years, who succeeded to the throne in 1883 and the same year married her prime minister. The government is an absolute monarchy, in which the prime minister usually mangn and makes puppets of his subordinate ministers.

The prime minister, who rejoices in the simple and euphonious name of Rainilaiarivony, is not of royal blood. He is a shrewd old fellow, more than 60 years of age and very much alive. He rose to power by assassinating his predecessor during the reign of the previous queen.

It has always been the rule that the prime minister should be the husband of the queen. The former queen was married to the predecessor of the present prime minister.

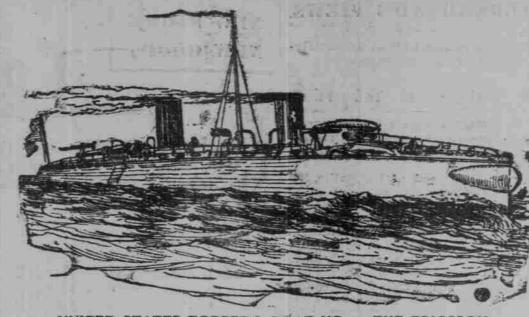
Another curious custom of the island is the compulsory duty imposed by the queen on all the foreign members of her court to render service once a month at her table. All these gentlemen carry rice and chicken to her majesty. They have the further pleasure of crawling on their knees before her once a month in the throngroom. On this occasion the queen sits on a throne and wears a solid gold crown which weighs 416 pounds.

Few people realize the vast area of Madagascar. It is the largest island in the world, counting Australia among the continents. Its greatest length is 400 miles, with an average width of 250 miles, and the population is variously estimated at from 1,000,000 to 1,250,-000. The general name of the inhabitants is Malagasy, but they are divided into at least 45 tribes. It is a popular idea that the Malagasy are negroes. As

a matter of fact, they are Malays. There are wide differences between the tribes. The most numerous are the Sakalavas, who constitute about a third of the population and are the most warlike and savage of any of the island peoples. They are averse to civilization. They are not cannibals, but they are naturally lazy and stupid. They have a fine physique and average over 6 feet in height, but they are by far the darkest aborigines from much mixing with the slave population.

The Hovas, the second largest tribe on the island, comprise less than a fourth of the whole population. They are much smaller than the Sakalavas, averaging only a little above 5 feet. They have straight, regular features and take very kindly to civilization. They are intelligent and quick to learn and have preserved the strong feeling of caste that exists among the natives of India. The Hovas are the ruling tribe, all the kings and queens of Madagascar having been Hovas. The Hovas do not mix largely with the other tribes, and their dark hair is straight, long, fine and abundant, while that of the Sakalavas is kinky, though it cannot be

called woolly. The concession granted to Mr. Waller is said to cover 225 square miles of the southern part of the island and to indude the right to cut other valuable timber as well as the rubber tree. Mr. Waller, it will be remembered, was a prominent colored Republican of Kansas City and was appointed consul at Tamatave, the principal port of Madagascar, by President Harrison.



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A ROMANCE OF SOUTH CHICAGO.

Or Why Gladys Gertrude Alice Vere Rejected Him.

Athwart the dark midautumn sky the moon was riding cold and drear. It shone upon the haughty face of Gladys Gertrude Alice Vere. As cold and dreary as the moon that face patrician seemed to be to one who clasped her icy hand-a stalwart form on bended knee.

On South Chicago's metal roofs the damp and dismal raindrops fell. The night wind bore upon its wings a specimen of stock-



A STALWART FORM ON BENDED KNEE. and yet the only night on file, and grown duck in a shower of rain."—Argonaut. up men who couldn't laugh were known to go and take a smile. But ah, ah me! Why thus digress? Our tale is one of love and woe, and little boots it if the rain falls on the roofs or floors below.

"My darling," cried the lover then, "you promised once that you'd be mine. Why stand aloof and spurn me thus? Oh, you are mine, and I am thine!"

She viewed him with a scornful eye. The moon in grandeur rode the while. A pe er struck a slippery place and fell about a lf a mile. The smoke from distant chir rose—it hadn't sense enough to fall silence deep and dense and dark ju and brooded over all. She viewed him a scornful eye. She viewed him with scornful eyes, and then she cried: "Ava at! Aveort! Go help thy mother making p. ss! On you and me as plighted ones this moon must never, never shine. The man who bets on Anson's Colts can't register as hub of

Exeunt omnes.-Chicago Tribune.

A Cute Justice.

It was the law of the village that all show men, itinerants and organ grinders must get a license before doing business there. One day a fat policeman, who had been on the force about six months without doing anything, concluded it was time he arrested somebody. Soon afterward along came an Italian with a performing bear. "Hev yez got yer license?" asked the po-

liceman. "No," said the exhibitor of the bear. "Then yer my priz'ners," said the police man, and he triumphantly marched off with them to the village station house, he

leading the Italian and the Italian leading the bear. Arraigned before the police justice, the Italian pleaded guilty, and the judge officiously gave him a most severe and scorch ing lecture on the enormity of his offense, ending by fining him \$10, the full extent of

The culprit had a lot of small change in his pocket, but being mostly pennies and nickels it only counted up to \$7.50. For a few moments the judge was in a quandary. He didn't want to send the fellow to jail nor yet lose the \$10. Presently a bright idea tails or not .- Life. struck him-a nappy solution of the problem-and he said:

"Here, officer, take this fellow out to the market place and let him perform with his bear until he makes up the balance, and when he gets it drive him out of town."-Buffalo News.

No Comparison.

When Lawrence Barrett's daughter was married, Stuart Robson sent a check for \$5,000 to the bridegroom. Miss Felicia Rob-son, who attended the wedding, conveyed the gift.

"Felicia," said her father upon her return, "did you give him the check?" "Yes, father," answered the dutiful daughter. "What did be say?" asked Robson,

"He didn't say anything," replied Miss Felicia, "but he shed tears." "How long did he cry?" "Why, father, I didn't time him. I should say, however, that he wept fully a minute.' "Fully a minute!" roared Robson. "Why, I cried an hour after I'd signed it!"-Chica-

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He is wise who knows when to hold his peace. Pleasure is far sweeter as a recreation

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Suspense.

They had sat thus for many minutes, and the gloaming was getting pretty dense when she broke the silence. "Can you," she asked, "oblige me with a match?

In his heart love struggled with honesty and was conquered.

"Yes," he faltered. "Thank you."

There was an instant of terrible anxiety, and then a flood of joy filled him.

"She loves and trusts me," his exulting soul exclaimed as the girl applied the light to the end of a cigarette which she drew from the escritoire and placed between her dewy lips. "I feared she wanted it for the After which he observed a few common

places aloud by way of covering his confusion.-Detroit Tribune.

Jerrold's Wit.

On the first night of the representation of one of Jerrold's pieces a successful adapter from the French rallied him on his nervousness. "I," said the adapter, "never feel nervous on the first night of my pieces." "Ah, my boy," Jerrold replied, "you are always certain of success. Your pieces have all been tried before." He was seriously disappointed with a certain book written by one of his friends. This friend heard that Jerrold had expressed his disappoint ment and questioned him, "I hear you said - was the worst book I ever wrote.' "No, I didn't," came the answer. "I said it was the worst book anybody ever wrote." Of a mistaken philanthropist Jerrold said he was "so benevolent, so merciful a man yards' smell. It was a rather sickly night, he would have held an umbrella over a

Had Met Before. Mr. McSwat had risen unusually early,

and as he opened his kitchen door to see how a sunrise looked he encountered the milkman. "Hello!" he said. "Haven't I seen you

somewhere before?" "Yes, sir," replied the milkman, filling the crock on the step from his can. "I in-itiated you night before last into the Royal Order of the Nobles of the Ancient Mystery. in the majesti Fine morning, isn't it?"-Chicago Tribune.

From Frying Pan to Fire. Deacon-We must devise some means of paying these \$500 of outstanding bills against the church. We are being pressed

for the money. Vestryman (in surprise)-Why, what are Deacon-For flowers, decorations, music, etc., furnished for the entertainment last month to celebrate the church being at last

free from debt.-Puck. Some Difference.

Mrs. Twickenham (to Mrs. Slimson)-Ideclare, there is always some expense. I was going to get me a swell gown this summer, and now my husband tells me he has got to spend \$75 for a new dress suit. Little Willie Slimson-Phew! Papa got one the other night for only \$3.-Clothier

and Furnisher. Deficient. Mrs. Wayoff—And this picture is— "That is Niobe. I suppose you are per-

feetly familiar with the story?" Mrs. Wayoff-No, I can't say that I just recall it. There's a good many of the neighbors I'm not yet acquainted with.-Chicago Inter Ocean.

Probably She Would.

Reggy-If you had been drinking a cocktail and kissed a girl afterward, do you think she would know it? Tom-If I kissed a girl, I think she would know it whether I had been drinking cock-

Some Go to Him.

"Has that young man who comes to see you any go in him?" asked the father, addressing his daughter. "Oh, yes, papa," she replied; "he goes at half past 10 every night."-New York Press.

But Natural. "Mamma," cried the little pig, "I want more to eat. "Well," exclaimed the parent petulantly, "I presume you are bound to make a hog

of yourself anyway."-Detroit Tribune. Business Depression. First Boy-How's business?

Second Boy-Poor. Only sold one stamp

this week, and I didn't get anything for that but three marbles. Never saw times so hard.—Good News. A Definition.

Weinberg-What do you call a work of Givens-It's something you don't quite understand and that costs you a heap of money .- Puck.

Determined. "So you are mad at your husband. Are you going home to your mother?"

again as long as I live."-Detroit Tribune. A Clean Sweep. Tom-I hear that you swept everything before you at the Browns last night. Jack-Yes; old man Brown wiped up the

"No. I shan't do anything to please him

floor with me.-Yale Record. A Feasible Idea. Nodd-I wish I could cure my wife of dyspepsia.
Todd-Why don't you get a servant girl

to do your cooking?-Truth.

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